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ESL 220

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***General Topic:*** Causes and effects of investments in college sport in state of Michigan. (I will review expenses such as scholarships, money to serve stadiums and coaches’ salaries etc. Then I will do research on benefits universities have, such as translation contracts, selling tickets etc.)

***Why I am interested:*** I was very surprised when I learnt about all benefits that athletes have when they are applying to university. Usually they have much more advantages then high school students with excellent grades. I want to learn about benefits universities have.

***Approach:*** analytical/interpretive

***Focus:*** Cause and effect

***RQ:*** Admission process for athletes (not a question but very important information). Why athletes get advantages? Do athletes bring benefits to the universities? Do athletes approve all money invested in them by university? Why universities pay so much attention to the sports?

***Expanded List of Words:***

1. ***Advantages of athletes-benefits, sports scholarships, admission of student athletes; university benefits-profits from sport gear, athletic ticket office, tickets price, average attendance in games, translation contracts with sport channels (ESPN), contracts with sport companies(Nike, Adidas, Reebok); university-college, college athletic programs, MSU, UofM (universities I will focus in), Spartans, Wolverines; money invested-investments, scholarships, tuition, salary for coaches, expenses to serve stadiums; sports-football, basketball, baseball, soccer, tennis(the most popular sports)***
2. ***Advantage-account, aid, assistance, avail, benefits, benediction, help, favor, gain etc.; profit-aid, avail, cash in on etc.; contract-agreement, deal, arrangement; athletes-challenger, contender, sportsperson; attention-concentration, absorption; sports-action, athletics, games.***
3. ***March Madness, NCAA, scout.***
4. ***Intercollegiate athletics, NCAA***

P.S., I also would like to look to the academic records of athletes because I think that they are poor and I have an opinion that expenses on sport should be transferred to the research project or to successful students who can make contribution on science. However, this is just reserve plan.